

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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For: <b>COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR THE</b>	)	Confirmation No.: <b>5696</b>
<b>SPECIFIC DETECTION OF MAMMALIAN</b>	)	
<b>MUSCLE PROTEINS</b>	)	

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION AND  
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed March 9, 2010, applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejected claims based upon the following amendments and remarks.

The above-identified applicants respectfully request a three-month extension of time within which to file a response to the Final Office Action dated March 9, 2010, now set to expire September 9, 2010. Applicants authorize herewith the charge of \$555.00 to cover the fee for a three-month extension of time. Applicants also submit herewith a Request for Continued Examination, along with the appropriate fee therefore. No additional fees are believed due, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fee and credit any refund to Deposit Account No. 11-0855.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.

**Conclusion** begins on page 9 of this paper.

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